

Architecture of Garnet Collaborative Portal

DoE Components Meeting

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Garnet Heritage/Assumptions

- Support **Education, Training** and if possible **Computing** as Grid(Web) Services
- Use best practice commercial and academic capabilities
 - Access Grid, HearMe, Anabas, (JMS, WSDL, EJB, Castor, Oracle etc.)
 - Worry about Centra, WebEx, Placeware, Blackboard, WebCT, Saba, Groove, Docent etc.
 - Respect IMS/ADL Learning Object standards (<http://www.adlnet.org>) and GGF Computing Objects
- Integrate **Synchronous** and **Asynchronous** (“learning management system”) collaboration
- Support **hand held** and **desktop** clients (universal access)

Garnet Technology

- **Uniform XML event (message) based architecture**
 - Linked with a **publish-subscribe** paradigm
- **XML Schema GXOS** supports hierarchical data structures (compatible with DoD ADL SCORM for learning objects)
 - XML for all **metadata** (Users, documents, computers) and **object changes** -- from text chats to display changes etc.)
- **Java Middleware using Enterprise Javabeans**
- **Production system uses JMS (Java Message Service) to implement publish-subscribe**
 - JMS does **Synchronous and Asynchronous** Messaging
- **MyXoS** manages XML information nuggets

– Important Capabilities in Initial Garnet

- Standard stuff: built in **shared display**, **whiteboard**, **HearMe Audio** control, **quizzes**, **annotations**, **chat/IM** (Jabber.org)
 - Desktop **video** will be special case of shared display
- **Record and replay** all features of session (**SMIL**)
 - A/V, Presentation, Annotations, Text Chat
- Several Specialized Collaborative **Shared Export** Viewers: **JSP**, (**later HTML, Acrobat ..**)
- Initial **SVG** (Scalable Vector Graphics) Shared Batik Viewer
 - 2D Scientific Visualization/Whiteboard
 - Macromedia (**Flash**~SVG) and **Adobe** (already “all” to SVG)
- Initial source of SVG: Convert **PowerPoint VML/WMF** to **SVG**
 - Gives **shared export** model for PowerPoint with each client able to scale independently at high resolution

JMS (Java Message Service) Structure in Garnet

Basic primitive is a topic/property labeled queue = **JXTA Pipe**

Pipes are collections of either messages or other pipes and just “nodes” in information hierarchy labeled by a URI

Event Receptor (Queue)

Subscribe

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Publish

Convert Events
to JMS

HHMS

JavaScript

Java

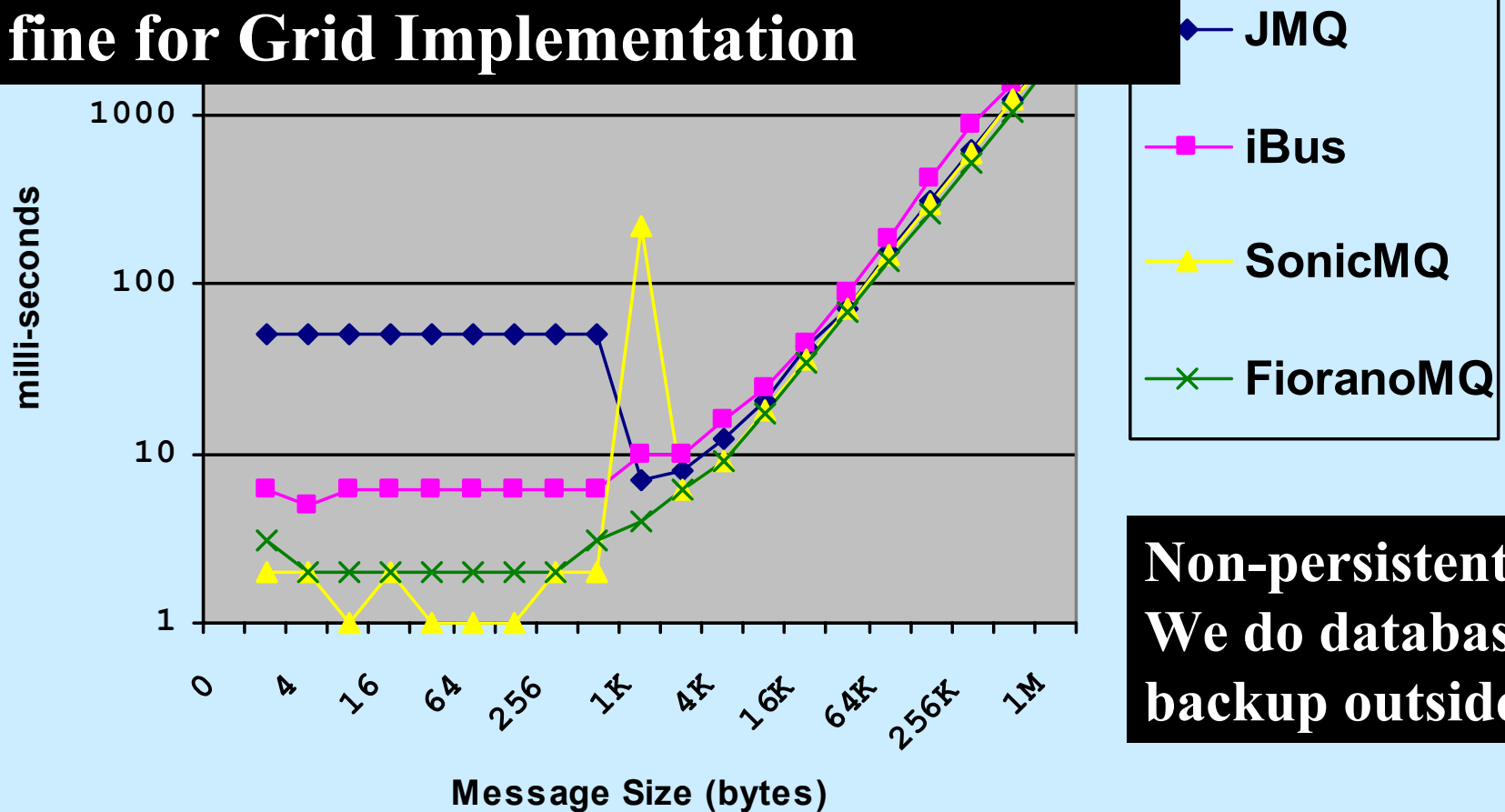
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HHMS (Hand Held Message Service) Optimized for Performance.

Performance of Commercial JMS I

One millisecond latency is fine for Synchronous Collaboration and fine for Grid Implementation

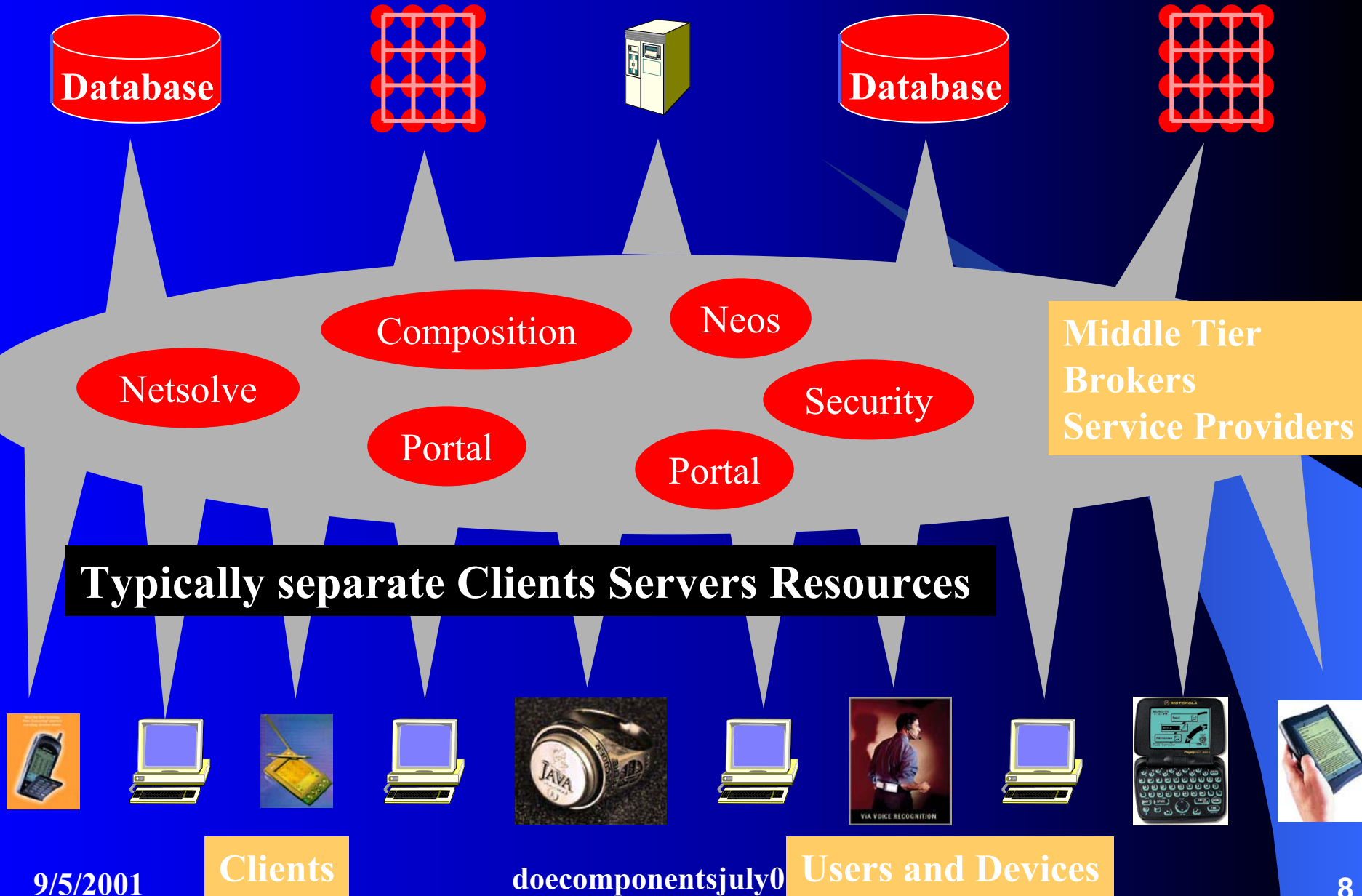


**Non-persistent as
We do database
backup outside JMS**

Peer to Peer P2P Networks

- **Publish/Subscribe** is mechanism we use to establish who gets what information for **Collaboration and P2P** and may be **ALL Grid and ALL Web Services?**
- **Message (or event) services underlie P2P Grids**
 - GMS can be built on top of JXTA or JMS architecture
- **JXTA like MyXoS identifies the implicit distributed operating (control messages/metadata) system**
 - Both have message queues as primitives
 - Both have Shell
 - Both use XML based messages
 - JXTA Advertisements are similar to GXOS metadata for objects

Classic Grid Architecture



Peer to Peer Network

Peers

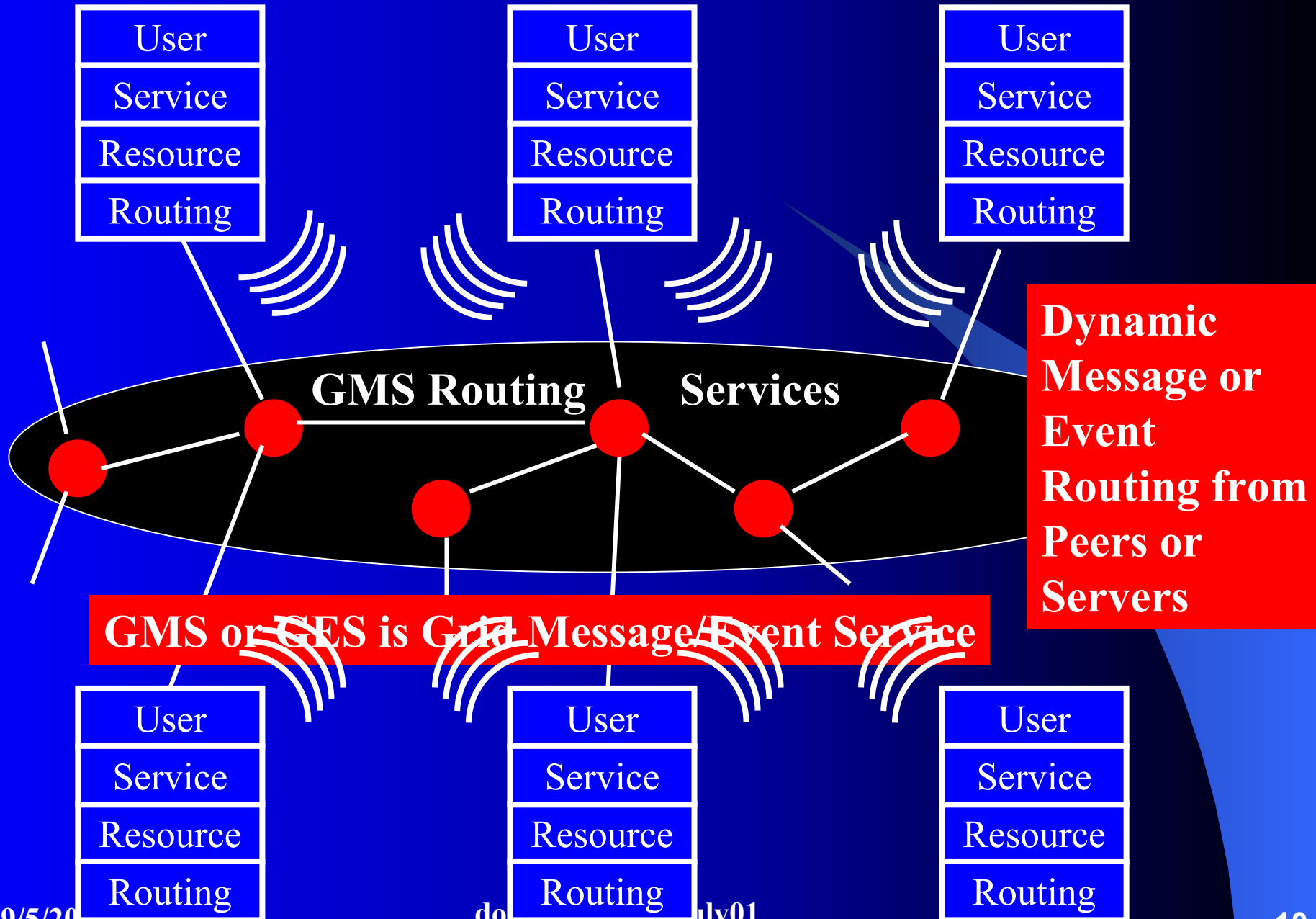


Peers are Jacks of all Trades linked to “all” peers in community

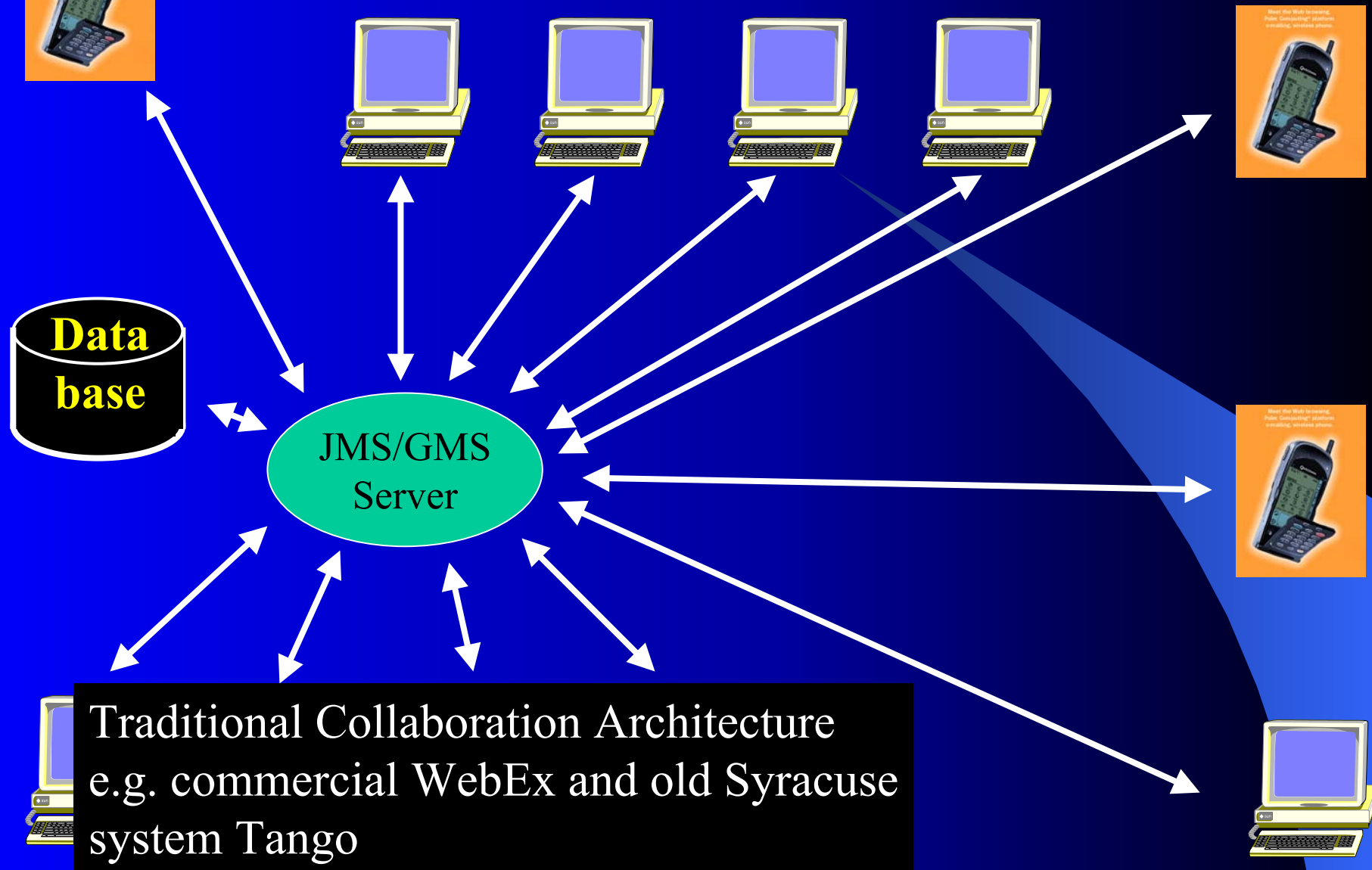
Typically Integrated Clients Servers and Resources



Peer to Peer Grid



Single Server P2P Illusion

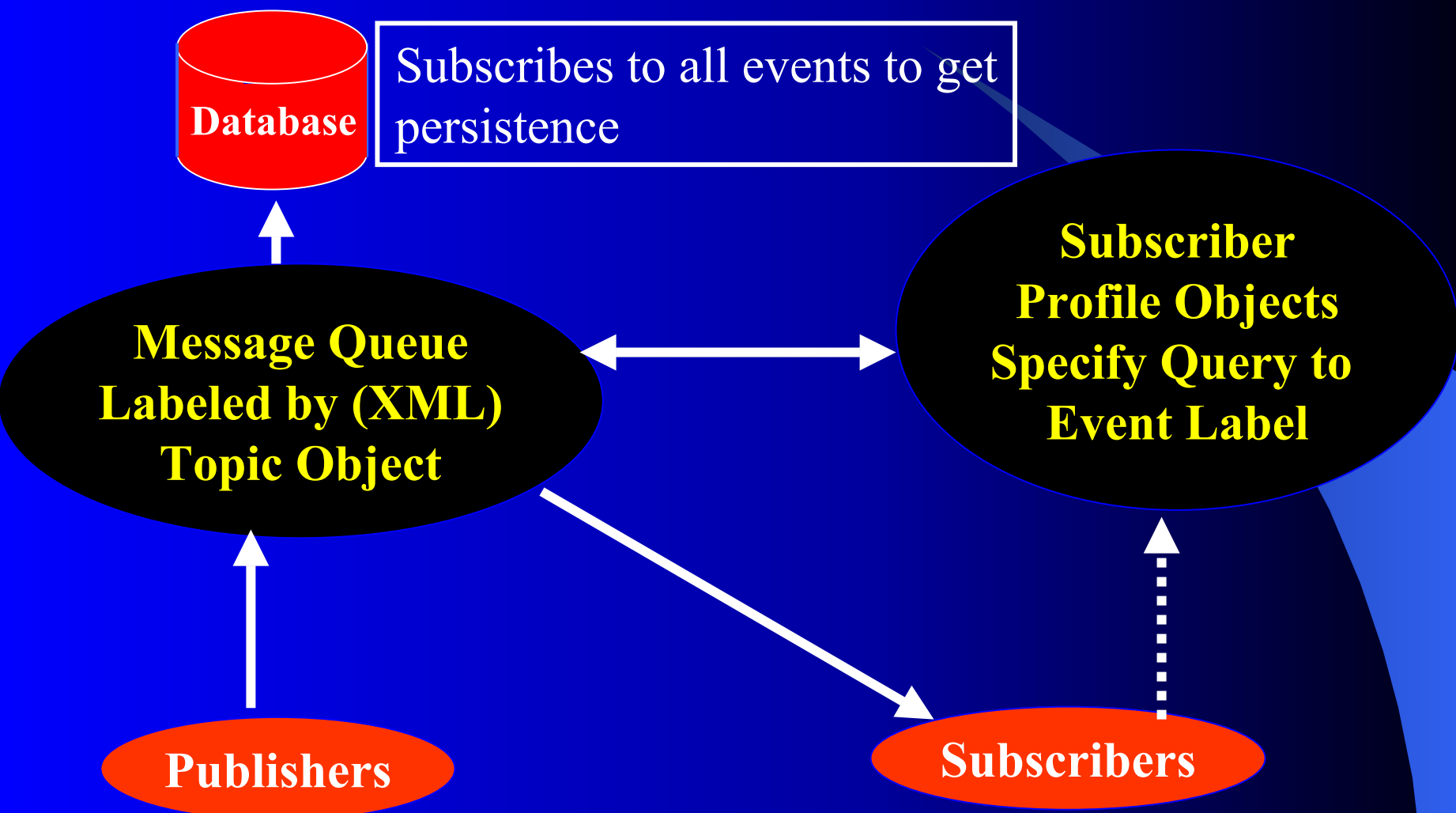


P2P Grid Event Service – a better JMS

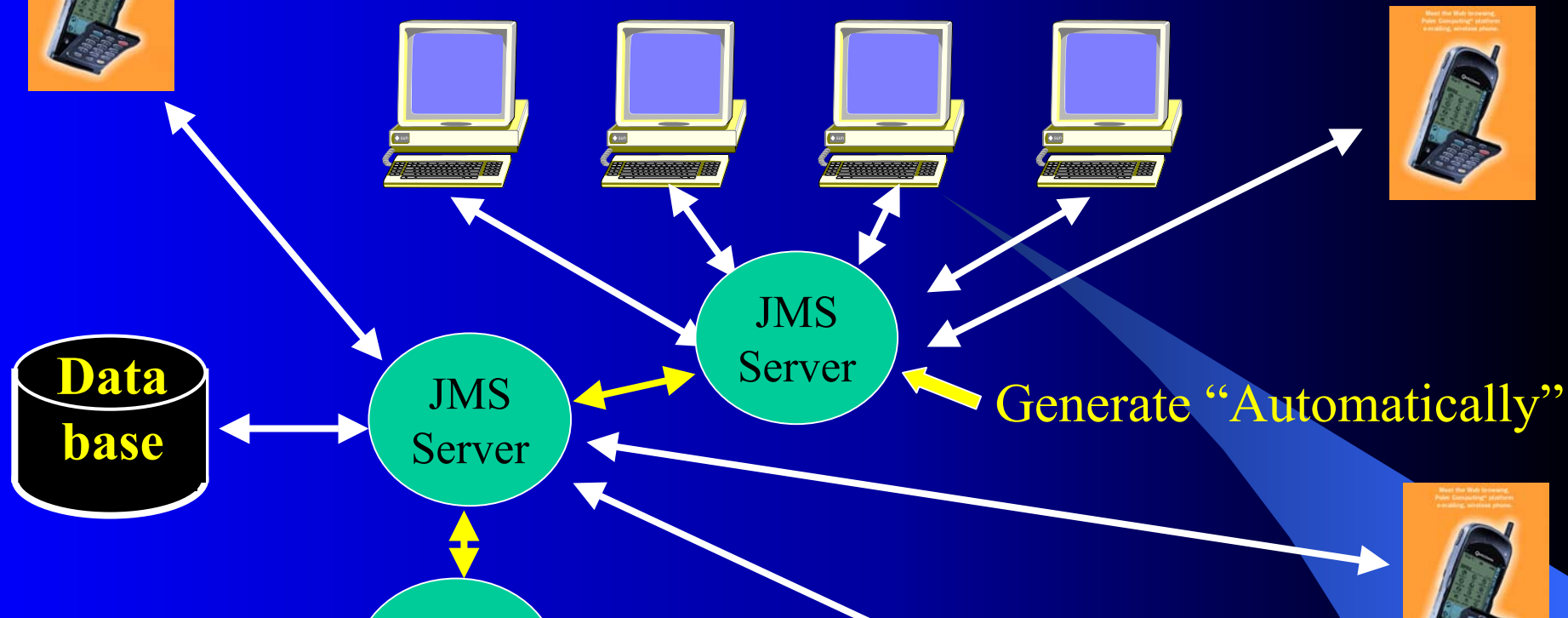
- Dynamic Collection of some billion computers each of which can either generate, route or consume events
- Publisher labels events by an (XML) object which is at simplest a URI but in general a collection of tag-values or instance of XML Schema
- Subscribers issue some sort of XML Query e.g. deliver all *gxos://garnet/Education/Graduate/ComputerScience/Indiana/Spring2001/CPS616/Lecture3/**
- Need Secure, High Performance, Efficient (don't propagate events further than they need), Fault Tolerant delivery service
- Shrideep Pallickara PhD June 1 2001
- Current version **Java RMI** based – could be **SOAP**

Proposed GMS Model for Messages

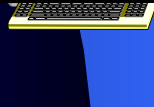
- All message publication labels and subscription profiles are defined in XML



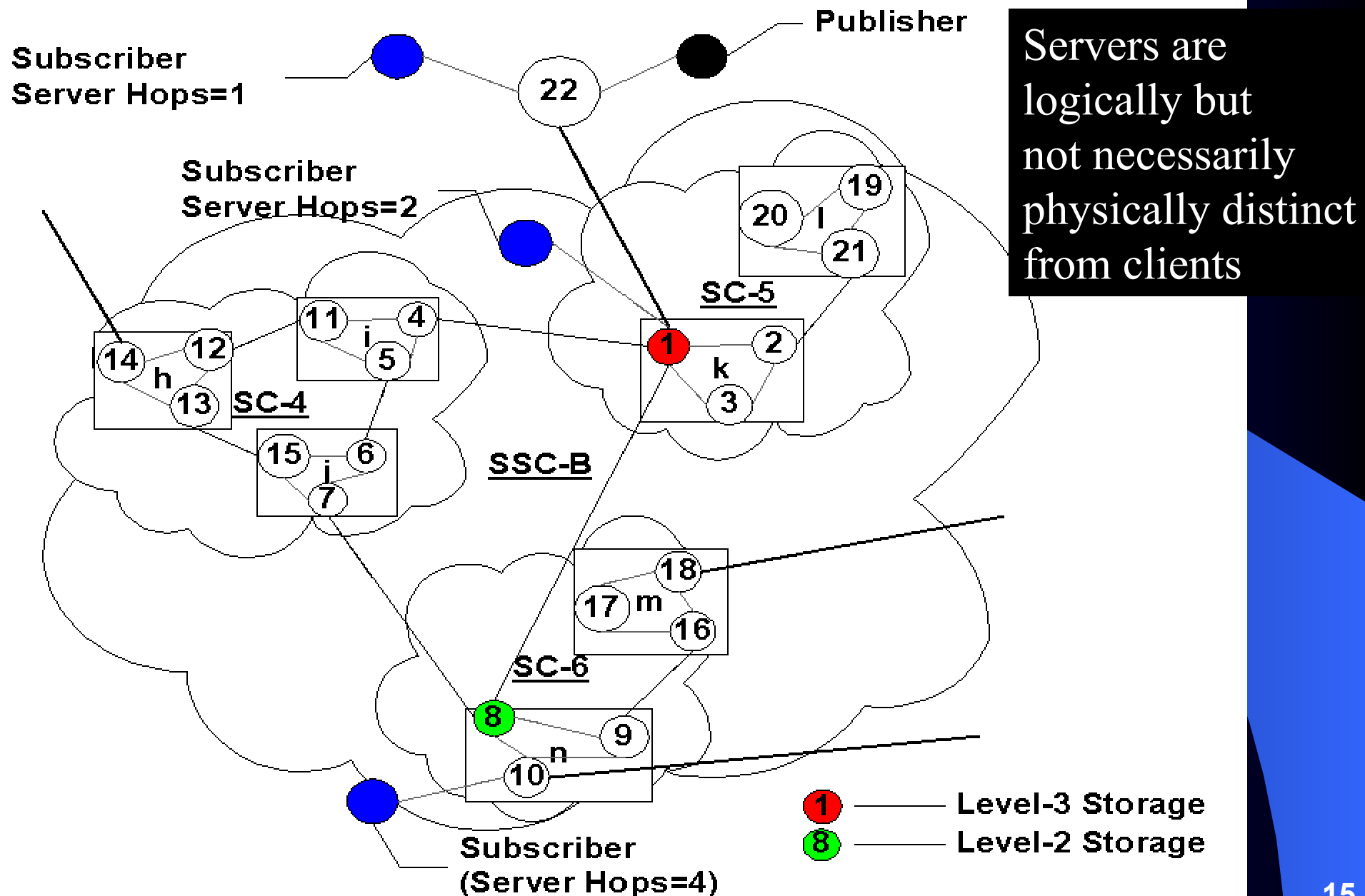
Multiple Server P2P Illusion



We are moving from client – server – resource model with Clearly defined responsibilities to a Heterogeneous Dynamic Grid of service providers and Service consumers which are not necessarily distinct



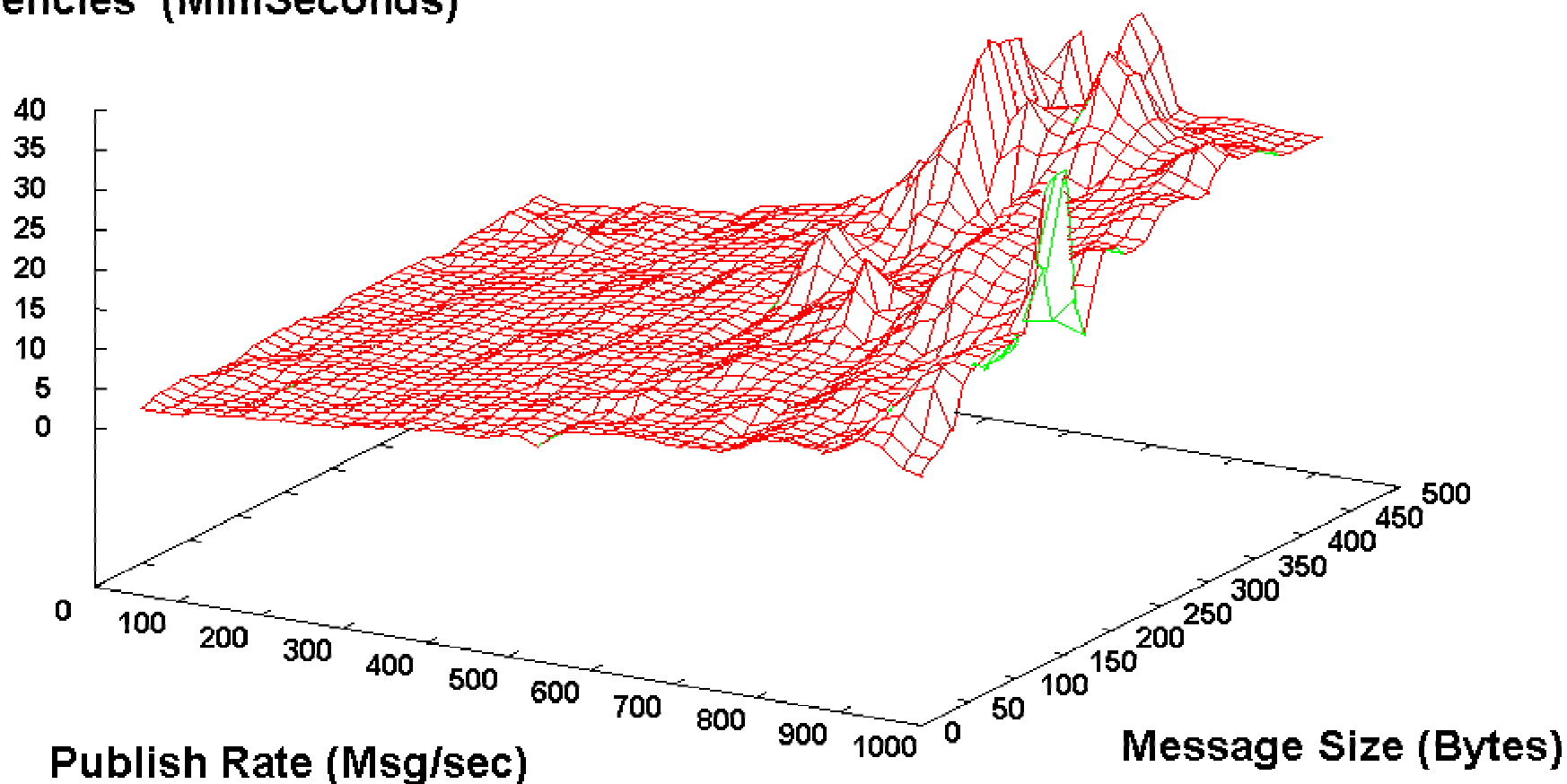
Some Results – 22 Servers



Match Rates of 10% & Server Hop to client = 1

Subscriber 1 server hop from publisher - Matching 10%

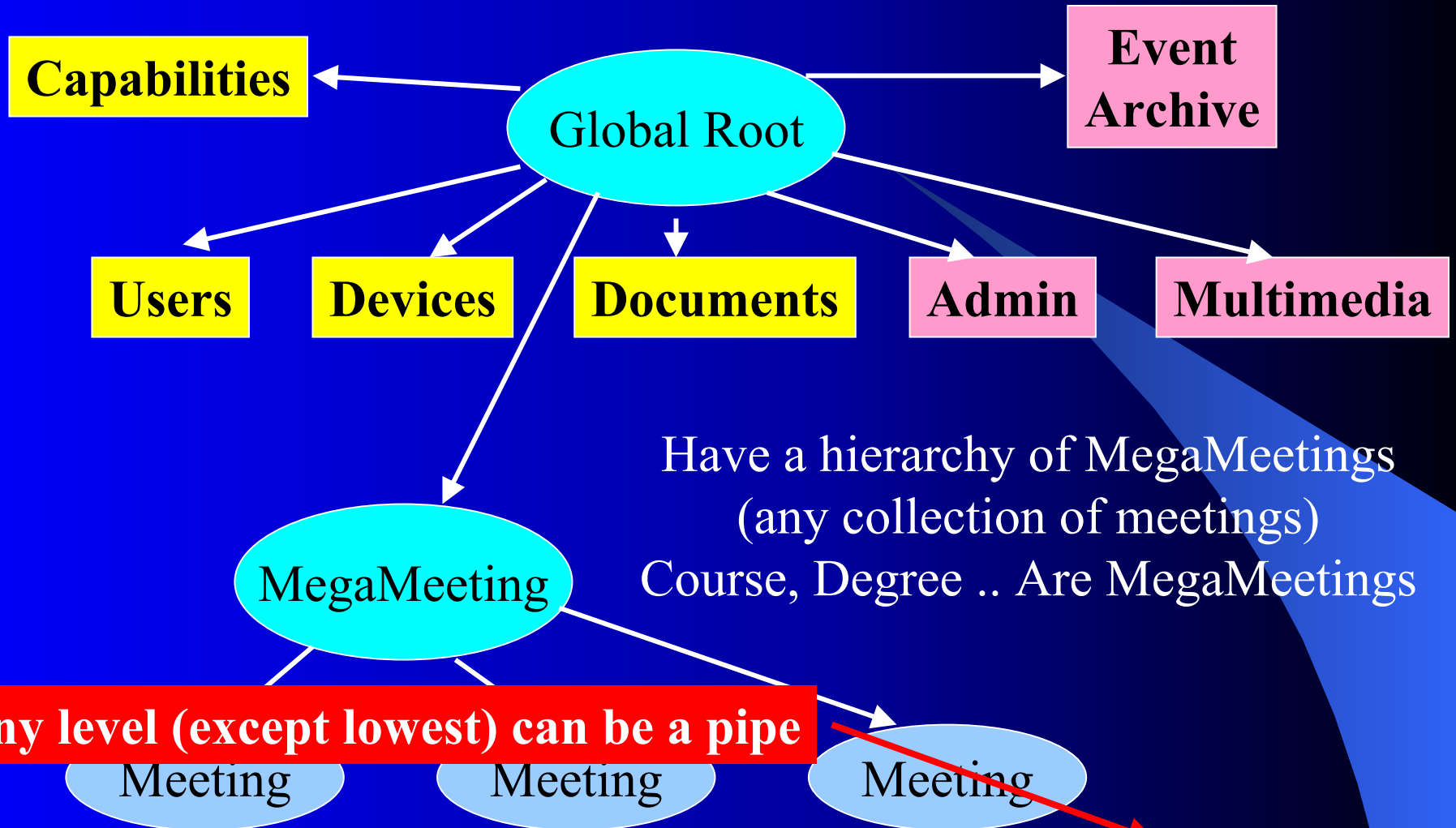
Latencies (MilliSeconds)



Event-based Garnet Architecture

- **All Objects are defined in XML** (metadata)– this XML view could be “virtual” but can be used to discover, edit (etc.) objects – labeled by a **URI**
- **GXOS manages meta data defining all Objects** -- it doesn't really want to manage Objects, just information required to **find, access, store, render and share it**
 - MUST have a good object management system to build collaboration service
 - Rendering includes Palm devices as well as PC's
 - Entities are people, cuurricula, grades, computers etc.
- **All actions including object changes are events** – all events are **GXOS objects**
 - Instant Messenger access, Framebuffer changes etc. are all GXOS events uniformly routed/archived etc.
- There is a **Shell MyXoS** with basic Services (copy, create, collaborate etc.) – similar in concept to **JXTA Shell**

Overall Structure of GXOS for a MegaMeeting



Have a hierarchy of MegaMeetings
(any collection of meetings)
Course, Degree .. Are MegaMeetings

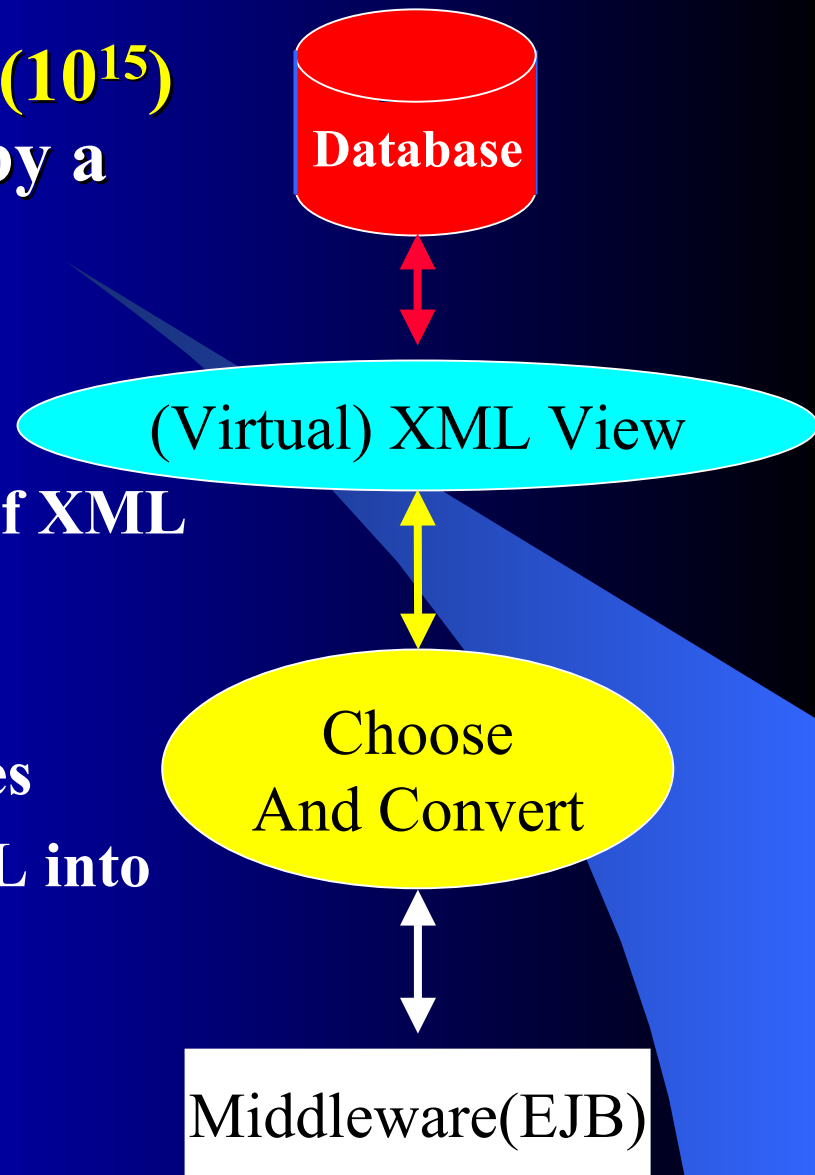
gxos://Education/University/Indiana/CS/PhD/Course/Lecture

Interface of XML and Java I

- **How will we teach computing?**
 - **K-4:** Internet Access
 - **Middle School:** (Simple) XML Schema interfaced to some scripting language
 - **High School:** Java as the programming model with Java classes (for external data) generated
- **Probably don't want to specify objects twice**
 - Start in Java; generate Schema
- **Or Start with Schema and generate Java**
- **Need a natural API of computer code to real or virtual XML**
 - Current mechanisms seem quaint (JDBC), inefficient (parsers), or non standard (Castor)

Interface of XML and Java II

- Suppose we have a **quadrillion** (10^{15}) XML objects as say produced by a physics accelerator per year (**Enterprise GXOS**)
- Need to combine:
 - Search Interface to select nodes of XML Tree
 - Specify URI
 - JDBC or Google like Interfaces
 - Castor like Interface to map XML into Java but need to control depth of conversion from XML into Java

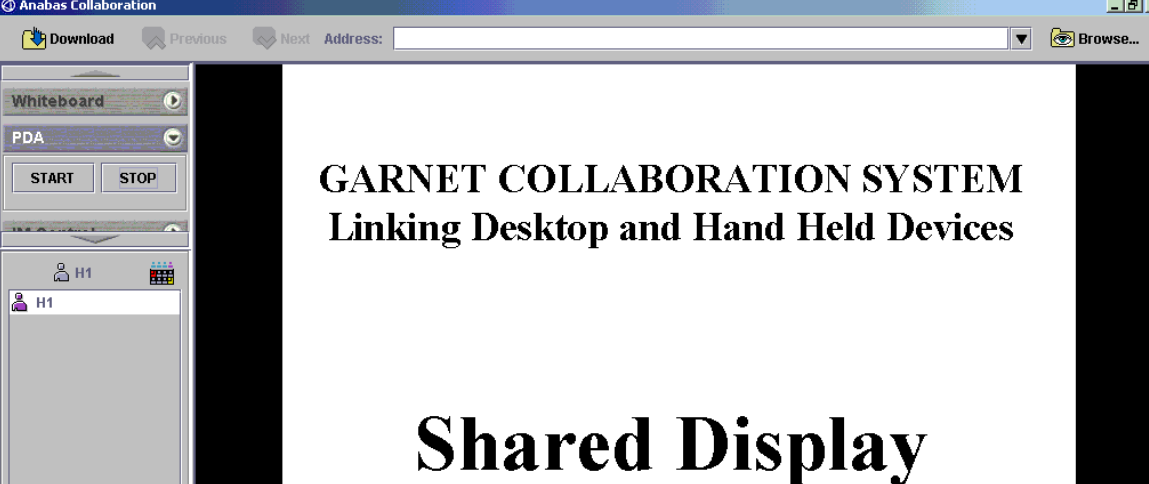


Current GXOS API Architecture

- Initially implement “**Personal GXOS**” – Information Repository small enough that we can afford to read all possibly relevant information into memory and refine this
 - E.g. Support course data for individual faculty
- **File.xml → XML Object → Java Object** and vice versa
 - Use **Castor** to automate XML Schema to Java Object
- **Primitives Supported Initially**
 - Get a “leaf Object”
 - Get a Collection (Internal Node) – “handle” and self.xml (the GXOS properties associated with this node)
 - List Contents of a collection (recursively)
 - Get Contents of a collection (recursively)

Integration of Hand Held Clients

- **Client Device (machine) Profile** stored in GXOS specifies O/S, default Screen Size modified by user (person) preferences
 - Dynamically updated with connection bandwidth, user updates
- **Application Profile** stored in GXOS and modified by event stream specifies data delivered by GMS
- **Adaptor (Personal Server)** looks like a conventional client to GMS and adapts data to specified client/user specifications
 - If PDA “small”, then SVG viewer on “adaptor” and ship framebuffer to PDA
 - “Resize” on PDA handled by adaptor, scrolling by PDA etc.
 - Adaptor can process complex XML queries



PowerPoint Shared Display PC to PDA

